STEINBACH et al. **Application No. 10/604,415** September 14, 2005

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS** 

Reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

Currently, claims 20-26 and 29-37 are pending in this application. Claim 28 has been

canceled.

**Allowable Subject Matter:** 

The Office Action indicated that claims 20-26 and 29-37 were allowable.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §103:

Claim 28 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 as allegedly being unpatentable over

Lester in view of Ota et al. Since claim 28 has been canceled, this rejection is deemed

moot.

**Conclusion:** 

Applicant believes that this entire application is in condition for allowance and

respectfully requests a notice to this effect. If the Examiner has any questions or believes

that an interview would further prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to

telephone the undersigned.

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